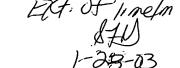


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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Hon. Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the period for responding to the Official Action of September 11, 2002, in the above-identified application, now set to expire on December 11, 2002, be extended by one month, until January 11, 2003.

A response to the Official Action, a Request for Continued Examination, and payment of the fees of \$55 and \$375, are attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING DEPOSITED WITH THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE AS FIRST CLASS MAIL IN AN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO: COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231, ON THE DATE INDICATED BELOW.

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